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The comments are regarding the Bloedel Reserve application to change their exit.

The North end neighborhood is a group of quiet roads, discreetly placed homes, and a mix of walkers, runners, bikers and dogs. The new exit could dramatically affect some of this. The cars and busses leaving would have to turn either north or south. North puts additional traffic on Agate Point, North, and Agate Pass streets. South puts all of the traffic on the sharp turn onto Dolphin. As a walker, I know that that corner is difficult for a pedestrian facing oncoming traffic. That corner is often icy and slick in winter, especially on weekends when there is no mitigation for Kitsap transit. I do not believe that reducing the speed to 15 mph is realistic.

The new Bloedel perking lot is not in keeping with the current character of the neighborhood. It is a visual affront to everyone passing by; clearly it is a commercial enterprise in a residential area. If you were to look, you'd see that most houses are off the road, landscaped for privacy. The new lot, and if the new exit were to be built, is just a degrading of the natural setting of North end.

I don't know what the new configuration of the entrance building entails, but I am hesitant to endorse anything that would further harm our neighborhood. It seems to me that the Bloedel Reserve can fulfill its mission without changing the very nature of the rest of the neighborhood.

Thank you,

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